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AFDROUGHT

SUBJECT: GRAIN SUPPLY SAHEL

1. FOLLOWING FROM OSRO: FOOD SUPPLY SITUATION NIGER CAUSES
SERIOUS CONCERN. ARRIVALS EXPECTED FROM ABROAD JANUARY/FEBRUARY
NOT SUFFICIENT TO COVER REQUIREMENTS. LATEST REPORTS INDICATE
CROP PRODUCTION OUTPUT WORSE THAN ANTICIPATED AND FOOD AVAI-
LABILITY IN CERTAIN AREAS CRITICAL WHICH ACCORDING TO GOVERNMENT
INFORMATION WILL RESULT IN SHORTFALL 33,000 MT IN ADDITION
TO TOTAL AMOUNT OF FOOD ASSISTANCE ALREADY REQUESTED FROM BILA-
TERAL AND MULTILATERAL DONORS. THEREFORE DONORS ARE URGED
TO EXPEDITE SOONEST SHIPMENTS TO NIGER AND REQUESTED TO CONSIDER
URGENTLY NEEDED ADDITIONAL FOOD DONATIONS. FOOD SITUATION AS
AT 7 JANUARY AS FOLLOWS:

COUNTRY	STOCKS IN	ARRIVALS EXPECTED	TOTAL AVAILABILITY
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PORT BY END FEBRUARY END FEBRUARY

MAURITANIA	9,000	8,659	17,659
SENEGAL	41,627	2,000	43,627
MALI	19,385	5,249	24,634
UPPER VOLTA	7,941	12,249	20,190
NIGER	3,571	15,499	19,070
CHAD	2,100	14,000	16,100

2. SHOULD THE NEEDS INDICATED BY THE MULTIDONOR MISSION REPORTS
BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT THE RATES OF THE AVERAGE MONTHLY
DISTRIBUTIONS WOULD BE AS FOLLOWS:

MAURITANIA 8,300 MT
SENEGAL 12,000 MT
MALI 19,700 PLUS MT
UPPER VOLTA 10,600 MT
NIGER 28,200 PLUS MT FROM JANUARY TO MAY
20,200 MT FROM MAY TO OCTOBER

3. IT APPEARS THAT AVAILABILITY END FEBRUARY DOES NOT COVER
MONTHLY DISTRIBUTIONS NEEDS FOR MALI AND NIGER. PLUS FOR MALI
WE RECOMMEND TO UTILIZE PRIMO ABIDJAN WHERE THERE ARE PRESENTLY
NO STOCKS AND NO FOOD EXPECTED SECUNDO*COTONOU FOR GAO AREA.
COTONOU CAPACITIES OF PORTS OF ENTRY ARE AS FOLLOWS:

12,000 MT VIA COTONOU
12,000 MT VIA APAPA
4,000 MT VIA PORT HARCOURT.VOLPE

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